

Package ‘condGEE’

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Title Parameter Estimation in Conditional GEE for Recurrent Event Gap Times

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Description Solves for the mean parameters, the variance parameter, and their asymptotic variance in a conditional GEE for recurrent event gap times, as described by Clement and Strawderman (2009) in the journal *Biostatistics*. Makes a parametric assumption for the length of the censored gap time.

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| asthma | <i>Asthma recurrence in children</i> |
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Description

This data set gives the start and stop times of recurrent asthma events in children. It also provides a subject ID, treatment indicator, censoring indicator, number of events per subject and a first event indicator.

Format

A data frame with 1037 rows and 7 columns. See asthma.txt header for details.

Source

<http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/rss/>

References

Duchateau et al. *JRSSC* 2003. Volume 52, 355–363.

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| condGEE | <i>condGEE</i> |
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Description

Solves for the mean parameters (*theta*), the variance parameter (σ^2), and their asymptotic variance in a conditional GEE for recurrent event gap times, as described by Clement, D. Y. and Strawderman, R. L. (2009)

Usage

```
condGEE(
  data,
  start,
  mu.fn = MU,
  mu.d = MU.d,
  var.fn = V,
  k1 = K1.norm,
  k2 = K2.norm,
  robust = TRUE,
  asymp.var = TRUE,
  maxiter = 100,
  rtol = 1e-06,
  atol = 1e-08,
  ctol = 1e-08,
  useFortran = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

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| data | matrix of data with one row for each gap time; the first column should be a subject ID, the second column the gap time, the third column a completeness indicator equal to 1 if the gap time is complete and 0 if the gap time is censored, and the remaining columns the covariates for use in the mean and variance functions |
| start | vector containing initial guesses for the unknown parameter vector |
| mu.fn | the specification for the mean of the gap time; the default is a linear combination of the covariates; the function should take two arguments (<i>theta</i> , and a matrix of covariates with each row corresponding to one gap time) and it should return a vector of means |
| mu.d | the derivative of mu.fn with respect to the parameter vector; the default corresponds to a linear mean function |
| var.fn | the specification for V^2 , where the variance of the gap time is $\sigma^2 V^2$; the default is a vector of ones; the function should take two arguments (<i>theta</i> , and a matrix of covariates with each row corresponding to one gap time) and it should return a vector of variances |
| k1 | the function to solve for the conditional mean length of the censored gap times; its sole argument should be the vector of standardized (i.e. $(Y - \mu)/(\sigma V)$) censored gap times; the default assumes the standardized censored gap times follow a standard normal distribution, but <code>K1.t3</code> and <code>K1.exp</code> are also provided in the package - they assume a standardized t with 3 degrees of freedom and an exponential with mean 0 and variance 1 respectively |
| k2 | the function to solve for the conditional mean length of the square of the censored gap times; its sole argument should be the vector of standardized (i.e. $(Y - \mu)/(\sigma V)$) censored gap times; the default assumes the standardized censored gap times follow a standard normal distribution, but <code>K2.t3</code> and <code>K2.exp</code> are also provided in the package - they assume a standardized t with 3 degrees of freedom and an exponential with mean 0 and variance 1 respectively |
| robust | logical, if FALSE, the mean and variance parameters are solved for simultaneously, increasing efficiency, but decreasing the leeway to misguess start and still find the root of the GEE |
| asympt.var | logical, if FALSE, the function returns NULL for the asymptotic variance matrix |
| maxiter | see <code>multiroot</code> ; maximal number of iterations allowed |
| rtol | see <code>multiroot</code> ; relative error tolerance |
| atol | see <code>multiroot</code> ; absolute error tolerance |
| ctol | see <code>multiroot</code> ; if between two iterations, the maximal change in the variable values is less than this amount, then it is assumed that the root is found |
| useFortran | see <code>multiroot</code> ; logical, if FALSE, then an R implementation of Newton-Raphson is used |

Value

conditional expectation

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`K1.exp`*K1.exp*

Description $E(Y|Y>w)$ where Y is exponential dist with mean 0 and variance 1**Usage**`K1.exp(w)`**Arguments**`w` real value**Value**

conditional expectation

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`K1.norm`*K1.norm*

Description $E(Y|Y>w)$ where Y is normal**Usage**`K1.norm(w)`**Arguments**`w` real value**Value**

conditional expectation

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 K1.t3

K1.t3

Description

$E(Y|Y>w)$ where Y is t dist with 3 df

Usage

K1.t3(w)

Arguments

w real value

Value

conditional expectation

Author(s)

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K2.exp

K2.exp

Description

$E(Y^2|Y>w)$ where Y is exponential dist with mean 0 and variance 1

Usage

K2.exp(w)

Arguments

w real value

Value

conditional expectation

Author(s)

David Clement

K2.norm

K2.norm

Description

$E(Y^2|Y>w)$ where Y is normal

Usage

K2.norm(w)

Arguments

w real value

Value

conditional expectation

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K2.t3

K2.t3

Description

$E(Y^2|Y>w)$ where Y is t dist with 3 df

Usage

K2.t3(w)

Arguments

w real value

Value

conditional expectation

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